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RUSSIANS STILL HOLD WARSAW ALTHOUGH EVACUATION IS NEAR

RUSSIANS STILL HOPING FOR ALLIES IN WEST TO CREATE SOME DIVERSION TO DRAW OFF SOME OF THE GERMAN TROOPS NOW ALONG THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

Five Thousand Buildings, Including German Hospital Filled With Wounded, Destroyed by Fire in Constantinople Last Week, According to Arrivals from Constantinople in Athens—Italians Claim to Have Taken Seventeen Thousand Austrian Prisoners Since Italy's Entry into War, Including Thirty-Eight Officers. Progress of Germans Against Russians Being Made at Heavy Cost. Lives to the Germans—Germans Said to Have Lost Seventy Thousand Men in Capture of Lublin Alone, While Von Mackensen has Lost Forty-Five Thousand.

London, Aug. 2.—While there is increasing evidence that the Russians are withdrawing from the Warsaw region, it appears that they still hold that city. The Warsaw correspondents here filed their usual dispatches to the Warsaw papers today.

The Russians are still hoping for the allies in the west to create some diversion to draw off some of the Germans from the Russian front. On the French front last night there was much infantry fighting, but no marked gains or losses.

Fire Sweeps Constantinople

Athens, Aug. 2.—Arrivals here from Constantinople say that five thousand buildings, including the German hospital, which was filled with wounded, were destroyed by fire last week.

Many Austrian Prisoners.

Rome, Aug. 2.—The Stefania News Agency says, the Italians have taken seventeen thousand Austrian prisoners since Italy's entry into the war, including 38 officers.

Heavy Cost to Germans.

Geneva, Switzerland, Aug. 2.—The Tribune prints the following from its Innsbruck correspondent:

"The capture of Lublin cost General Wolrich 70,000 men in killed, wounded and prisoners. Four miles north of Lublin, the Russians are disputing every foot of ground, while covering their retreat. In an advance of seven miles, with seven army corps, Field Marshal von Mackensen lost 35,000 men."

More Steamers Submerged

London, Aug. 2.—German submarines have sunk the British steamers Clintonia and Fulgens. The latter's crew was saved.

Another Steamer Sunk.

London, Aug. 3.—A submarine today sunk the British steamer Benfortich. The crew was saved.

Russian Destroyer Sinks.

Berlin, Aug. 2.—A Russian destroyer has been sunk in the Baltic sea. The cause is not known here.

FOUR KILLED AS BIG PLANT SANK IN SAND

POWER PLANT OF BIG CEMENT COMPANY AT HUDSON, N. Y., SANK INTO QUICK SAND—DEAD WERE LABORERS.

Hudson, N. Y., Aug. 2.—Four men were killed and four others injured when the power plant of the Knickerbocker Cement Company today sank in the quicksand here. The entire building dropped out of sight below the sand. All of the dead men were laborers.

WEATHER FORECAST
New Orleans, La., Aug. 2.—
The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight is fair and cooler; Tuesday fair.

UNCLE SAM'S MARINES ARE HOLDING CITY

PORT AU PRINCE UNDER CONTROL OF AMERICAN MARINES— MOB TRIED TO TAKE PRISONERS FROM MISSION.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 2.—A mob Saturday night in Port au Prince, Hayti, attacked the Wesleyan mission, attempting to seize a man who had murdered a prisoner in the jail and been secreted in the mission. His fate is unknown.

The city is now under control of the American marines.

PLANS TO HAVE CONVICTS WORK COUNTY ROADS

MAYOR WENT TO OKLAHOMA CITY TO CONFER WITH BOARD OF AFFAIRS RELATIVE TO SECURING ABOUT THIRTY.

Mayor Mullen went to Oklahoma City today to put before the state board of affairs a plan that he has for working about thirty state convicts on the roads of the county. He will also confer with the state highway engineer if he is successful in securing the convicts so that all roads will be built under the direction of the department of highways.

The mayor has planned to have them work the city streets as well, as there could be an exchange of work between the city and county of men, teams and implements that would make the trade equitable.

The mayor believes that if the county will donate as much as a thousand dollars toward this work, the big oil companies' will come across handsomely, and then the property owners along the right of way would be asked to contribute work as well as grain and other stuff for the maintenance of the prisoners by this means, the mayor states that the burden on each individual would be small and would result in securing permanent roads all over the county that are so badly needed at present.

When the mayor returns tomorrow, he will call a meeting of the citizens to confer with the board of county commissioners now in session, and see if a good roads movement cannot be started here that will amount to something.

Attention Knights of Pythias.
Rank of Esquire will be conferred at a special convention Monday evening at 8:30. A full attendance desired. Visiting members invited.
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POLICE RESERVES NECESSARY.

Immense Crowds at Becker Funeral in New York Today.

New York, Aug. 2.—Police reserves were necessary to control the crowds at the Becker funeral today. A plate on the casket reading "Murdered by Governor Whitman," had been removed and one simply giving the date of his death substituted.

TOWN LOT FARMER.

Stanley Hornbeck Makes Side Money Out of His Fruit Crop.

Stanley Hornbeck is a city lot farmer who makes money out of his fruit crop. He has a small orchard on H street northeast, about three blocks east of the Fraley Bros. Lumber company's yard, and instead of shipping he is selling to local people. He gets fifty cents a bushel, and says his advertisement in The Ardmoreite has brought him a large number of customers. He usually in good fruit years gathers 500 bushels, but says he will not make quite so much this year. The fruit is of the Elberta variety and is very fine. He is finding a market at the orchard for all the fruit his trees will bear.

GERMAN REPLY ON FREY CASE IS RECEIVED

IN ADDITION TO GERMAN ANSWER ON SINKING OF WILLIAM FRYE — ALSO ENGLAND'S SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The United States today received the German note on the Frey case and also England's supplemental note on the restrictions to neutral commerce.

The British note answers the American protest against the sending of certain cases to the prize court.

WOMAN SHOT HUSBAND.

Houston Woman is Charged With Shooting Husband.

Houston, Tex., Aug. 2.—Mrs. George W. Wilkerson is under arrest, charged with shooting her husband today, probably fatally. She says she sued him for a divorce and he refused to remain away from her home.

MAYOR AFTER TELEPHONE COMPANY

SAYS THE SERVICE MUST BE IMPROVED, OR HE WILL KNOW THERE IS SOME GOOD REASON FOR ITS NOT BEING DONE.

Mayor Mullen who went to Oklahoma City today to confer with the board of affairs relative to securing state convicts for the county roads, said that he was going to call on the corporation commission and lay before them some facts relative to the telephone service being furnished patrons of the company in this city. He stated that for the past two months complaints had been coming to his office so persistently from people who want something done that he can no longer delay putting the matter up to the corporation commission and see if some relief cannot be granted.

Mayor Mullen stated that so far as he was able to learn, the people were not kicking so much over the rates charged as they were over the service. He gave as his opinion for this that the operating force was inadequate to the demands and was going to urge that the commissioners make an investigation and give the subscribers relief, if possible.

The mayor stated that he would have something to report to the people when he returned.

CARRANZA BACK IN MEXICO CITY

CONSUL GENERAL SILLIMAN ADVISES WASHINGTON OF REOCCUPATION OF CAPITAL.

MANY HAVE STARVED

Red Cross in Mexico City Wires That There Have Been Deaths and Collapses in Mexico City from Starvation — People Eat Grass.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Official confirmation of the re-occupation of Mexico City by General Carranza's army reached the state department today from Consul General Silliman at Vera Cruz.

The American Red Cross in Mexico City wires that there have been deaths and collapses from starvation in the Mexican capital.

The Red Cross says that some people in Mexico City are living on leaves, grass, weeds, dead horses and mules.

Villa Sore on United States.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 2.—Foreigners from Chihuahua say that Villa, in addressing a gathering of foreign merchants there Saturday, said: "The American government can go to hell." To raise a forced loan, forty-two Mexican merchants were jailed, their property confiscated, and six executed.

Dynamiter Released Today.

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 2.—The charges were dismissed today against Wallace Moore, accused of dynamiting his father's house in the Padgett Saddlery company case.

Pioneer is Dead.

Pauls Valley, Okla., Aug. 1.—C. M. Randolph, one of the oldest residents of this section of the country, was buried in the old Whitehead cemetery Sunday afternoon. He died of heart failure Thursday. He was the father of Mrs. E. M. Moore, who for several years was an employee of the state supreme court.

SOCIALISTS DENIED USE OF ASSEMBLY HALL

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS STATE THEY ARE NOT GOING TO FURNISH A MEETING PLACE FOR POLITICAL PARTY.

There is a bunch of sore socialists in this city today, and the reason for their perturbed feelings was because the board of county commissioners sat down on them with a heavy weight this morning when they sent a committee to ask that the assembly hall in the county court house be turned over to them every Sunday afternoon for "religious meetings." The nature of the demand startled the board of commissioners, but after the full significance was made plain to them, conversation began at once, and was only ended when their request was flatly refused by unanimous vote of the board.

"You want the room for 'religious purposes,'" repeated chairman Tallaferrero, "well, this is the first time I ever knew that socialism was a religion. I always thought it was a disease, and as we are not allowing even our own of the republican party to hold 'religious services' in the court house on Sunday afternoons, we will have to deny the 'Kuukids' the privilege of doing so," whereupon the committee withdrew to pass a few resolutions relative to their estimation of the honorable board.

The Weekly Ardmoreite reaches the farmer.

SOCIALIST ENCAMPMENTS

Two Will Be Held in Carter County — At Wilson and Ardmore.

Several socialists who are conducting encampments through the southern portion of the state arrived here yesterday and left this morning for Wilson, where a three-day encampment began this morning.

In the party were Adolph Gerner, who was in jail recently on two occasions in the Cochrane strike district; Dan Hogan, who was a candidate for governor on the socialist ticket in Arkansas; Jennie McGehee of Denver, Colo., and A. E. Blackwell of Ada, Okla. Following the Wilson encampment and in the order named the following towns will be visited: Sulphur, Ada, McAlester, Caney, Ardmore, and Durant. The Ardmore meeting will be held at Whittington park on the 19th, 20th and 21st of August.

Booze—Knife—Coroner

Idabel, Okla., Aug. 1.—Three farmers became involved in a difficulty near Haworth Saturday while intoxicated and when the smoke cleared away, one Van Biber was found cut to death and others, McNeil and McCarty, were jailed.

OFFICERS ARE AT WORK ON THRESHER CASE

FIENDS WHO PLACED DYNAMITE IN SHEAF OF OATS MAY BE BEHIND BARS BEFORE MANY MORE DAYS PASS.

The officers of two counties are working on the dynamiting case, in which a new thresher was blown to atoms near Homer last week, and one man killed and another severely injured.

The thresher belonged to a Mr. Ross instead of Harmon & Harmon, as first reported. The dead man was a transient, who was working in the harvest throughout this section and had his mother and four small children with him at the time of the explosion. The dead man, J. C. Smith, was a man of no wealth, and the neighbors about the scene of the explosion raised the money for funeral expenses.

The officers have a clue as to the identity of the guilty parties, and it would not be surprising to hear of some sensational arrests within the next few days. The feeling is intense about the Homer community, and it would probably go hard with the party if he is apprehended there now.

No reason is advanced for the destruction of the machine, other than for revenge. Smith had no enemies that are known and the other injured man, like himself, was a comparative stranger in those parts.

MUST OBSERVE ROAD LAW OR BE PENALIZED

DEPUTY SHERIFF STATED YESTERDAY THAT HE WAS ABOUT TO BEGIN CRUSADE AGAINST CERTAIN ROAD "HOGS."

Deputy Sheriff Kendall stated yesterday that he was going to begin a crusade against certain individuals in this county who so far have totally disregarded the road law now in force and effect, and from long custom and a selfish disposition have never given any part of the road to any kind of a passing vehicle. This custom has been notorious in this county for a long time and he states that he is going to have it understood that all must divide the highways in passing each other, or else he is going to have an enlarged population in the county jail.

CONDITION OF COTTON CROP

GOVERNMENT REPORT ISSUED TODAY SHOWS COTTON CROP IS 75 PER CENT OF NORMAL.

POOR CROP HERE

Oklahoma's Crop Only Sixty-Nine Per Cent of Normal, Having Poorest Average Condition This Year of Any of the States.

Washington, Aug. 2.—This year's cotton crop will be about 11,970,000 bales, the department of agriculture announced today. Last year's crop was more than 16,000,000 bales.

Washington, August 2.—The condition of the growing cotton crop of the United States on July 25 was 75.3 per cent of a normal, the United States department of agriculture's crop reporting board announced at noon today in its third condition report of the season. That condition compares with 80.3 per cent on June 25, this year, 76.4 per cent on July 25 last year, 79.6 per cent in 1913, and 78.5 per cent, the average condition on July 25 for the last ten years.

The area planted to cotton and under cultivation on June 25, this year, as previously reported, was 31,535,000 acres, a decrease of 5,871,000 acres, or 15.7 per cent, from that under cultivation on June 25 last year. A condition of 100 per cent of a normal on July 25, would be equivalent to a yield of 241.3 pounds of cotton to the acre, the bureau of crop estimates has announced.

Weather conditions generally have been favorable to the crop throughout the month except in Texas, where there was a lack of rain.

In the northern portions of the belt the weather was too cool for rapid growth during the first week of the month, and wet weather delayed proper cultivation, especially in Oklahoma, Mississippi, and portions of other states. The drought in Texas was largely relieved, and the crop made satisfactory growth in that as well as in most other states of the belt. Boll weevil continued to increase in Texas, and were reported from several other sections.

During the second week of the month moderately warm weather, with local showers, over the central and eastern portions of the belt favored a generally satisfactory growth, although the plant was reported as still small in some northern localities, due to cool weather, and the fields as grassy in others. In Texas and Oklahoma much clear weather, with warm sunshine, favored cultivation and rapid growth over the greater part of those states, but in southern Texas the absence of general rains for several weeks retarded growth. Boll weevil continued active in many parts of Texas, as well as in Mississippi and Alabama. Texas marketed its first bale on July 9.

The third week found warm nights throughout the belt with generally sufficient soil moisture over central and eastern districts. That greatly favored cotton and good growth generally was reported. Dry weather prevailed in Texas, but the plant was standing the drought well and it was said to be developing rapidly in Oklahoma and Arkansas. Cultivation had proceeded satisfactorily and the crop generally was very clean. Boll weevil became less active in Texas during that week, but they were reported as far east as the Alabama-Georgia line and in western Florida. Georgia's first bale was marketed July 22.

Comparisons of conditions by states follow:
VIRGINIA—1915, 79; 1914, 89; 1913, 81.
NORTH CAROLINA—1915, 78; 1914, 86; 1913, 77.
SOUTH CAROLINA—1915, 72; 1914, 79; 1913, 75.
GEORGIA—1915, 76; 1914, 82; 1913, 76.

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